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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, OPD-DD/P

ATTENTION: [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: EK Proposals

1. Mr. Edward Green called recently to inquire as to the possibility of releasing to other customers copies of the proposals of the exploitation equipment recently discussed in our joint procurement meeting.

2. We are all familiar with OXCART and the bearing that these proposals have on this Project, but unless one were knowledgeable it would be difficult to associate the two - therefore, the unclassified version (or even if a SECRET classification were applied) does not affect the security of the OXCART project. Until this point is clarified we have not authorized the release of these proposals to anyone. In view of this point, request you authorize the release of these proposals at either the unclassified or SECRET levels as determined by you.

3. Further consideration, however, must be given to the distribution mechanism. If Mr. Green is authorized to release these to any and all the entire effect of our joint procurement approach will be lost. Therefore, recommend that IIC be advised of all releases made by EK as well as of statements of interest by customers so that we may have some means of implementing joint procurement which results in decided financial savings to the Government.

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Chief, Data Management Division,
IIC/CIA

cc: Mr. John Furengoskey

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